Growing *Intellectually,* Physically, *Socially &* Spiritually

The way Dr. Richard Beach sees it, athletics at a Christian college is not simply sweating bodies seeking to outplay their opponents.

"Athletics at LeTourneau University is based on the concept of the student/athlete," Dr. Beach said. "Participants in the athletic program are students first, and the athletic program is intended to complement the academic experience."

". . . athletic experience helping to round out Christian service. . ."

Because the vast majority of our students are Christians, Beach said it is his goal to help them use their athletic gifts athletically "as acts of stewardship and worship." "The LeTourneau University athlete will, ideally, be a committed Christian engaged primarily in preparing for a life of service and ministry with the athletic experience helping to round out the preparation," said Beach, who is LeTourneau's new athletic director and coordinator of physical education. "We see our athletic efforts as a complementary part of our values-centered education and an important part of our overall program," said Dr. Alvin O. Austin, LeTourneau president. "We encourage all of our students to involve themselves in intramural and varsity sports and to excel to the best of their abilities. We know that a sound educational program includes opportunities to grow intellectually, physically, socially and spiritually."

David Luckert, who directs the Intramural Sports Program put it another way: "Our purpose is to enhance the student's total educational experience." Some 81 percent of LeTourneau's students participate in at least one of the University's 19 intramural activities. The University also fields men's varsity teams in cross country, soccer, basketball, baseball and track and field, and women's varsity teams in cross country and volleyball.

Dr. Richard Beach
Athletic Director

The Heritage Club

Accomplishing Your Goals

LeTourneau University possesses a wonderful heritage of providing a Christ-centered education and preparation for life. Since its founding in 1946, LeTourneau has touched thousands of young lives. For many years now, the University has been blessed with the enduring support of special friends and alumni who made significant contributions to further our mission and purpose.

Estate gifts are of particular importance among these significant contributions which have helped LeTourneau provide educational opportunity for its students. We are very grateful for those who have so thoughtfully remembered LeTourneau University and made estate gifts.

The LeTourneau University Heritage Club has been established to honor these special friends who provide for the University through effective gift planning. The members of the Heritage Club have made the University a beneficiary of:

- a will
- a revocable trust
- a life insurance policy

John F. Martin
Director of Development

- a charitable gift annuity
- a charitable remainder trust
- the LeTourneau Insured Savings Trust
- a gift of a remainder interest in real estate
- other estate gift

Members of the Heritage Club receive a memento signifying their participation, and all members will receive FOCUS, a financial and gift planning newsletter distributed periodically by the University. If you qualify for membership, or would like more information about the Heritage Club, please contact John Martin in the Office of Planned Giving. Why not let us assist you and your advisors in developing a gift plan that fits your needs and accomplishes your goals?

A Belief In Our Mission

A Heritage Club Story

Mr. Bud Otis,
Heritage Club Member

Mr. Bud Otis of Longview is among the newest members of the LeTourneau University Heritage Club. His affiliation in this special group of friends results from the recent completion of a charitable gift annuity benefiting the University. This gift-planning tool provides him with a life income and later becomes an investment in youth that helps ensure the legacy of Christian education.

Bud returned to East Texas after retiring from the U.S. Air Force in 1970. He and his wife, Leta, settled in Longview, where Bud opened a locksmith business, Ace Lock and Safe, which he operated for 17 years. Leta, who was loved and respected in Longview, went home to be with the Lord in December 1991. She is missed greatly by Bud and sons Roger and Buck. We are grateful for Bud and Leta Otis, and others like them, who demonstrate a belief in our mission by their involvement with the University.

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